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# **ARIZONA CROPS**



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### Arizona Durum Wheat Production Down From Last Year

**Durum Wheat:** Production of Durum wheat in Arizona and California is forecast at a collective 26.6 million bushels, up 5 percent from May 1 but 14 percent below their 2008 total of 30.9 million bushels. California reported scattered incidents of stripe rust with little to no impact on yield. Harvest in Arizona, as of May 31, was slightly ahead of last year but equal to the 5-year average.

Winter Wheat: Production is forecast at 1.49 billion bushels, down less than 1 percent from the May 1 forecast and down 20 percent from 2008. Based on June 1 conditions, the U.S. yield is forecast at 43.9 bushels per acre, down 0.3 bushel from the previous forecast and down 3.3 bushels from last year. Grain area totals 34.0 million acres, unchanged from last month. As of May 31, heading had reached 77 percent in the 18 major States, 4 percentage points behind the 5-year average.

Forecasted head counts from the objective yield survey in the 6 Hard Red Winter States (Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Texas) are below last year's level in Montana and Oklahoma but above in Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, and Texas.

Condition ratings during May declined in Kansas and Montana, improved in Colorado, Nebraska, and Oklahoma, and remained constant in Texas. Colorado and Nebraska received much needed moisture during May, while Oklahoma was adversely affected by rain and hail.

Forecasted head counts from the objective yield survey in the 3 Soft Red Winter States (Illinois, Missouri, and Ohio) are below last year's level. Condition ratings declined during May in Illinois and Missouri, but improved in Ohio. Wet weather and cool temperatures in Illinois have kept crop progress behind normal.

In the Pacific Northwest States (Idaho, Oregon, and Washington), yields increased from last month in Idaho, but remain unchanged in Washington and Oregon. Forecasted head counts from the objective yield survey in Washington are above last year. Condition ratings declined during May in Washington, improved in Oregon, and remained constant in Idaho. As of May 31, winter wheat crop progress in Washington was 30 percent headed, behind the 5-year average of 54 percent.

Wheat: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production by Selected States and United States, 2008 and Forecasted June 1, 2009

Chata	Area Harvested		Yield			Production		
State	2008	2009	2008	2009		2008	2009	
	2008	2009	2008	May 1	June 1	2008	2009	
	1.000 Acres		Bushels		1.000 Bushels			
Winter Wheat								
CA	400	280	85.0	80.0	75.0	34,000	21,000	
CO	1,900	2,300	30.0	32.0	35.0		80,500	
ID	800	700	75.0	82.0	83.0		58,100	
KS	8,900	8,500	40.0	40.0	40.0	356,000	340,000	
MT	2,420	2,400	39.0	39.0	39.0	94,380	93,600	
NE	1,670	1,600	44.0	42.0	45.0	73,480	72,000	
OK	4,500	3,500	37.0	23.0	21.0	166,500	73,500	
OR	775	720	58.0	53.0	53.0	44,950	38,160	
SD	1,890	1,550	55.0	49.0	45.0	103,950	69,750	
TX	3,300	2,400	30.0	27.0	27.0	99,000	64,800	
WA	1,720	1,700	56.0	60.0	60.0	96,320	102,000	
Other States 1/	1,247	1,055	53.0	43.0	43.0	66,067	45,364	
US	39,614	33,995	47.2	44.2	43.9	1,867,903	1,491,769	
Durum Wheat 2/								
AZ	149	125	98.0	105.0	105.0	14,602	13,125	
CA	155	135	105.0	90.0	100.0	16,275	13,500	
MT	570		19.0			10,830		
ND	1,690		25.0			42,250		
Other States 3/	20		46.0			920		
US	2,584		32.8			84,877		

Other States include AL, AZ, FL, IA, LA, MN, NV, NJ, NM, ND, UT, WV, and WY. Individual state level estimates will be published in the "Small Grains 2009 Summary," released September 30, 2009.

<sup>2/</sup> Area harvested for US and remaining states will be published in "Acreage" released June 30, 2009. Yield and production will be published in "Crop Production" released July 10, 2009.

<sup>3/</sup> Other states include ID and SD. Individual State level estimates will be published in the "Small Grains 2009 Summary," released September 30, 2009.

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### May Farm Prices Received Index Increased 2 Points From Last Month

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in May, at 131 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 2 points (1.6 percent) from April. The Crop Index is up 2 points (1.3 percent) but the Livestock Index was unchanged. Producers received higher prices for broilers, soybeans, corn, and onions and lower prices for eggs, lettuce, tomatoes, and milk. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly

marketings of sweet corn, broilers, grapes, and cantaloups offset decreased marketings of cattle, milk, corn, and apples.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is down 21 points (14 percent) from May 2008. The Food Commodities Index, at 128, increased 1 point (0.8 percent) from last month but decreased 20 points (14 percent) from May 2008.

#### **Prices Paid Index Down 1 Point**

The May Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 176 percent of the 1990-92 average. The index is down 1 point (0.6 percent) from April and 8 points (4.3 percent) below May 2008. Lower prices in

May for potash & phosphate, feeder pigs, mixed fertilizer, and complete feeds more than offset higher prices for nitrogen, feed grains, gasoline, and LP gas.

Prices Received by Farmers: Arizona and United States, May 2008 and 2009 and April 2009

		Arizona			United States			
Commodity	Unit	May 2008 Entire Month	April 2009 Entire Month	May 2009 Mid-Month	May 2008 Entire Month	April 2009 Entire Month	May 2009 Mid-Month	
Upland Cotton	¢ Lb	1/	1/	1/	64.60	45.30	43.90	
Durum Wheat 2/	\$ Ton				450.00	242.70	278.00	
Alfalfa Hay Baled 3/	\$ Ton	185.00	155.00	150.00	180.00	133.00	138.00	
Cows 4/	\$ Cwt	54.00	49.00	50.00	54.10	48.00	49.20	
Steers and Heifers	\$ Cwt	95.00	86.00	87.00	96.10	88.40	87.20	
Beef Cattle 5/	\$ Cwt	82.70	70.1	71.10	91.30	83.50	82.80	
Calves	\$ Cwt	111.00	107.00	109.00	120.00	110.00	112.00	
All Milk 6/	\$ Cwt	17.20	11.00	11.10	18.30	11.90	11.70	

- 1/ Prices not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations or insufficient sales.
- 2/ Not available for Arizona.
- 2/ Not available3/ Mid-month.
- 4/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.
- "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined.
- 6/ Preliminary; before for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

**United States Price Index Summary Table** 

Index 1990-92 = 100	20	08	2009		
111dex 1990-92 = 100	April	May	April	May	
Prices Received	146	152	129	131	
Prices Paid	179	184	177	176	
Ratio 1/	82	83	73	74	

<sup>1/</sup> Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid by farmers.